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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

ATZK-FP (525)

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MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to this Headquarters  
Commanders, Fort Knox Partners in Excellence  
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Thunderbolt Six Policy Memo No. 38-41 – Antiterrorism Awareness Training (Level I Training)

1. References:

- a. DODI 2000.16, DOD Combating Terrorism Program Standards, 14 June 2001.
- b. DODD 2000.12, DOD Antiterrorism/Force Protection, 13 April 1999.
- c. DOD O-2000.12 H, (Draft) Protection of DOD Personnel and Assets From Acts of Terrorism.
- d. AR 525-13, Antiterrorism, 4 January 2002.

2. Purpose: The purpose of this memorandum is to establish policy for all military personnel, DOD civilians (AF/NAF), DODEA employees, AAFES/DECA employees, DOD Contractors and family members assigned to the Fort Knox Area of Operations (AO) for receiving the required Antiterrorism Awareness Training (Level I).

3. General: The security environment in which we live is dynamic, unpredictable, and replete with numerous challenges. The threat of terrorism now affects all communities nationally and internationally. No community is immune. At Fort Knox, we believe that our soldiers, civilian workers, and families are our greatest assets. We must do everything possible to protect ourselves, our families and our property from terrorist attacks. One of the most important elements of any antiterrorism/force protection (AT/FP) program is the Antiterrorism (AT) awareness training that occurs. In an effort to counter terrorism, Fort Knox will implement an aggressive AT Awareness program facilitated by the Force Protection Division.

4. Training Requirements:

- a. DODI 2000.16 has mandated AT awareness training requirements for all military personnel, DOD civilians, family members, and DOD contractors. This requirement occurs under circumstances when the threat level is significant.

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b. AR 525-13 (Antiterrorism) requires personnel traveling outside the 50 United States, its territories and possessions (to include leave, pass or temporary duty) to receive an AOR update within 2 months of travel and receive annual AT awareness training within 12 months of travel.

c. Family members 14 years and older accompanying or joining sponsors OCONUS are required to attend the AT Awareness Training and area of responsibility (AOR) or area specific briefing.

d. Commanders, battalion/directorate level and above will appoint Antiterrorism Officers (SFC or higher) who serve as the commander's planner/advisor on AT matters and serve as instructor for Level 1 unit antiterrorism training. Unit ATOs will be formally trained and certified within 180 days of appointment.

5. Required Training: Commanders conducting initial entry training courses, officer basic courses or pre-command courses are required to conduct AT Awareness training as stated above for military personnel in attendance. Training program of instructions (POI) should be coordinated to indicate changes with service proponent or MACOM.

6. Forums: AT Awareness training (Level I) can be given in the following type forums:

a. Web based training at the following website: <http://at-awareness.org>; access code is "Aware;" this is for soldiers, civilians, contractors and family members.

b. Classroom type instruction given by a certified Unit Level II instructor, using the US Army Military Police School (USAMPS), Training Support Package (TSP).

c. Classroom instruction given by the Force Protection Plans/Training Officer of the FP Division.

7. Training Records: Units/directors utilizing the web-based training will maintain a copy of the training certificate issued to each person in the unit/soldier training records. On the last Thursday of each month a training roster will be forwarded to the FP Division for record. Sign in rosters will be maintained for all classroom training that is conducted. The rosters will be consolidated and forwarded to the FP Division (ATZK-FP) for record, on the next workday following training. Unit (level II) certified instructors will provide GTA 19-4-3, Individual Protective Measures, or, JS Guide 5260 "Individual Protective Measures While Traveling Overseas" and a DOD Wallet card to each person receiving training.

8. Area Specific Briefing: Area Specific or an Area of Responsibility (AOR) briefing will be given by the unit Antiterrorism Officers/Certified Level II instructors or unit intelligence officers to all personnel who are PCSing, going TDY, or deploying to a country with a threat level that is "significant" or higher. At a minimum, the following topics will be covered during the area specific briefing:

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- Local/National/Specific Threat
- DIA Threat Levels in Specified Countries
- The Specific AOR Video will be viewed

Useful Websites to obtain current information related to Area Specific training are: [www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov) or [www.dia.mil](http://www.dia.mil). Additional area specific information can be obtained from the following sources: the 902<sup>nd</sup> M.I., Naval Criminal Investigative Service (NCIS), Criminal Investigation Division (CID), or the specific CINC websites.

9. Sign-in Record: Unit ATOs will maintain a sign in record of all area specific training conducted. A copy of this record will be maintained for a period of 3 years under file number (525-13) "Area Specific Training" Files. Unit ATOs will provide a memorandum for record of the training conducted to the FP Division as soon as possible indicating training has been completed.

10. PCS Orders: Before overseas travel unit commanders/directors will provide AG with a copy of AT Awareness training record and a copy of the certificate for soldiers PCSing in order to publish orders accordingly.

11. Directorates of civilian employees PCSing, will provide CPAC a copy of the AT Awareness training record and a copy of the certificate before the publishing of PCS orders.

12. Verification: The "leave/pass approving authority" will verify that training has been received and place the following entry in item 17 (remarks), DA 31, "Antiterrorism Awareness Training received IAW AR 525-13 on (DTG)." Travel Orders will include the same entry and verify that all family members 14 years and above have received the training.

**Note:** Family members may not be able to accompany sponsor to the overseas assignment without the AT Awareness Training.

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